

REMARKS

In the Advisory Action of December 7, 2005, claims 1-6, 8-14, and 16-22 are pending. In the Response of November 21, 2005, Applicants provided arguments for the allowability of claims 1-6, 8-14, and 16-22. Applicants submit that the arguments remain and are still valid.

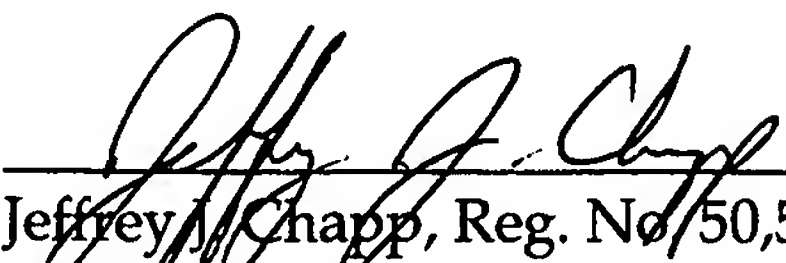
The Advisory Action states that claims 8, 13-14, 16, and 21-22 would be allowable if claim 13 was amended to add to the end of the last paragraph the limitation of "in order to modify load paths of a collision". Claim 13 is herein amended to include the stated limitation as suggested. Thus, claims 8, 13-14, 16, and 21-22 are now in a condition for allowance.

The Advisory Action also states that claims 17-20 would be allowable if claim 17 were amended to include the limitation of "to increase resistance of said frame rail" in the last paragraph. Claim 17 is herein amended to include the stated limitation as suggested. Thus, claims 17-20 are now in a condition for allowance.

In light of the amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that all the rejections are now overcome. The Applicants have added no new matter to the application by these amendments. The application is now in condition for allowance and expeditious notice thereof is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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